

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The City Of Augusta

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of “Helping Kids Choose Success Day”

WHEREAS, young people will be stewards of our communities, nation, and world in critical times, and the present and future well-being of our society requires an involved, caring citizenry with good character; and

WHEREAS, there are no better rewards than that of revealing to community and to our world that Augusta-Richmond’s youth are true global leaders, and model citizens who deserve our support and participation in their chosen desire to lead our community into the next decade with the highest degree of honesty, morality, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the first inaugural theme “Choose Success Campaign” invites all segments of our community to join the recognized efforts of our youth and their self-chosen determination to strengthen their communities improving the quality of life for all residents; and

WHEREAS, youth development is, first and foremost, an obligation of families, though efforts by faith communities, schools, youth, civic and human service organizations also play a very important role in supporting family efforts promoting positive youth development; and

WHEREAS, graduation requirements are rising every year, new approaches to advancing the intellectual abilities of our youth become critical, as our communities represents the pride of Augusta-Richmond, our youth are our most precious resources. Providing innovative, challenging and empowering guidance, and encouragement will instill the essential elements to helping them achieve high degrees of leadership as they strive to serve their community; and

WHEREAS, the national fight against youth involvement in gang violence, substance use/abuse, self-destructive/high risk behaviors mandates the inclusion of America’s youth in decision-making and development process of their communities. Communities In Schools of Augusta-Richmond County and Bungalow Road Alternative School urge parents, all departments of government, civic, fraternal, community, faith based organizations, and citizens, to participate wholeheartedly in this initiative.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim May 11th and 12th, 2005, to be “CHOOSE SUCCESS DAYS” in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to recognize this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 11th day of May 2005.

Mayor